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1. Visited Senator Hayden on the subject of [redacted]  
[redacted] who is a possible applicant for a job with this Agency.

I told the Senator that the results of our interview with [redacted] were not encouraging. I did agree, however, that if she completed the PHS's which had been given her, we would again explore possibilities of employment. I was far from hopeful in talking with the Senator, and he indicated that he certainly did not want the Agency to employ this girl unless we felt she was qualified and would be of some use to us.

We also discussed the Senate action on the Mansfield Resolution. I informed the Senator that we were quite pleased to note that a heavy majority of editorial comments following the Senate vote seemed to be favorable to the action taken. The Senator was interested to hear this, and reiterated his previous remark that this was a dead duck insofar as Congress was concerned. I asked him whether he had received any reactions from Senator Mansfield and he said that Mike had told him, "I know when I'm licked." I also asked the Senator if he thought this matter would arise in future congresses and he said most emphatically that he felt it would not. According to the Senator, once a bill such as this has been badly defeated on a roll call vote, the chance of its revival is practically nil.

2. I called Ramsey Potts, Associate Counsel of the Symington Subcommittee and informed him that for a number of reasons we would be unable to allow Mr. Hamilton or himself to read our National Intelligence Estimates during the last two years on the subject of Soviet air strength. I indicated, however, that the Director wanted to explain the reasons personally to Messrs. Hamilton and Potts, and stated his willingness to take from these estimates and to give these gentlemen any facts and figures which they desire. They have an appointment to see the Director on this matter on Wednesday, 16 May at 10:30 A.M.

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